

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**#2016-015, Posting Date June 7, 2016**  
**LEGISLATIVE ECONOMIST, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ECONOMIST**

The Kentucky Legislative Research Commission, a non-partisan research unit for the Kentucky General Assembly, is accepting applications for the position of Legislative Economist.

**Typical Duties:** Under the supervision of the Chief Economist, the economist will perform economic research and study design and analysis, and make presentations of research results and projects to legislators and LRC management. The economist works with legislative matters pertaining to all aspects of economic forecasting, analysis, and modeling.

Duties will include, but not be limited to: economic analysis, answering legislative and staff inquiries, researching economic topics, preparing reports, assisting the Chief Economist in reporting to legislative committees during legislative sessions, and assisting with any special study committees.

**Preferred Qualifications:** An earned graduate degree in economics, public administration, demography, business; or a closely related field. Candidates should indicate any relevant experience in economics, business, public policy, legislative oversight, research and analysis, or related field. Candidates with other combinations of education and experience uniquely related to this position also may be considered.

Successful candidates should possess the ability to conduct and present applied research in an unbiased manner, strong writing and public speaking skills, the ability to manage and analyze large amounts of data, proficiency with spreadsheet and database software, and experience with statistical software, such as SAS, Stata, or Eviews. Experienced candidates are encouraged to apply.

Experience in and knowledge of the legislative process may substitute for the preferred education and/or necessary work experience. Knowledge of economic analysis in state government and legislative process may be given added consideration.

**Desired Attributes:**

- Excellent verbal and written communications skills to communicate effectively and impartially with others involved in the legislative process;
- The ability to apply practical economic analysis federal, state and local laws, regulations and legal precedent;
- Strong research skills and ability to prepare succinct written analysis of complex projects and issues;
- The ability to work independently as well as in a team environment;
- The ability to work under pressure and meet specific deadlines;
- Strong general research and economic research ability; the ability to prepare memorandum, issue papers, or research studies;
- Excellent skills in using Microsoft Office products including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook.

The individual selected for this position must have a positive attitude, strong work ethic, attention to detail, and be public service oriented with the ability to maintain a good rapport with LRC staff, state employees, and the general public. The individual must have a strong attention to detail and be able to work under stress, with the understanding that during legislative sessions and occasionally during the interim period, working overtime will be required.

This is a permanent, full-time position with benefits including health and life insurance, retirement plan and paid holidays, vacation, and sick days.

**Application Deadline:** The review of applications will begin immediately and the position will remain open until filled.

**How to Apply:** All persons meeting the qualifications and who are interested in this position are encouraged to submit a cover letter and current resume. Please send a completed state application or resume via email to: [LRCresumes@lrc.ky.gov](mailto:LRCresumes@lrc.ky.gov) and list the job title in the email subject line. Alternatively, applicants may mail these materials to:

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